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In a Sample

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Reply to Restriction Requirement

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 3, 2006, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicant hereby provisionally elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, represented by claims 1-29 and 37-40. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed.

In response to the Restriction Requirement as to the election of a second prostate specific nucleic acid, Applicants provisionally elect **PSA** (claim 2), with traverse.

In response to the Restriction Requirement as to the election of an amplification method, Applicants provisionally elect TMA (see claim 7), with traverse.

In response to the Restriction Requirement as to the election of a detection method, Applicants provisionally elect **chemiluminescence** (see claims 10 and 12), with traverse.

In response to the Restriction Requirement as to the election of a sample,
Applicants provisionally elect **urine** (see claim 22), with traverse.